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SUBJ: MOCHTAR LUBIS RELEASED

REF: JAKARTA 1437

BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED

1. MOCHTAR LUBIS WAS RELEASED FROM DETENTION APRIL 15 AND OFFICIALLY CLEARED OF SUSPICION OF INVOLVEMENT IN THE JANUARY 15, 1974 JAKARTA RIOTS.

2. THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RELEASE OF THE PROMINENT EDITOR AND LIBERTARIAN, WHO HAD BEEN HELD SINCE FEBRUARY 4, 1975, WAS MADE TO THE PRESS BY A SPOKESMAN FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL ALI SAID AFTER SAID HAD MET EARLIER IN THE DAY WITH PRESIDENT SUHARTO. SAID HIMSELF HAD EARLIER TOLD THE PRESS AFTER SEEING SUHARTO THAT THE LUBIS CASE WAS "APPROACHING A SOLUTION", BUT ANNOUNCEMENT OF RELEASE WAS NOT MADE UNTIL LATER IN DAY.

3. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, SPOKESMAN FOR ATTORNEY
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GENERAL SAID ORDER FOR RELEASE OF LUBIS STATED THAT AS RESULT OF OBJECTIVE EVALUATION OF RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION,

THERE WAS NO REASON FOR CONTINUING HIS TEMPORARY DETENTION. IN RESPONSE TO REPORTER'S QUESTION, HE SAID LUBIS WAS NOT UNDER "HOUSE ARREST" OR "CITY ARREST," AND WAS "FREE." HE DID NOT SAY WHETHER ORDER BARRING LUBIS FROM TRAVELING ABROAD WHICH WAS ISSUED SEVERAL MONTHS BEFORE HIS ARREST WAS ALSO LIFTED. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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4. COMMENT: RELEASE OF LUBIS IS SURPRISE IN VIEW OF FEARS EXPRESSED BY MANY INDONESIANS THAT DETENTION OF LUBIS AND OTHER JANUARY 15 SUSPECTS MIGHT BE PROLONGED THROUGH 1977 GENERAL ELECTIONS. WE WILL BE REPORTING TO DEPARTMENT ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND ON RELEASE OF LUBIS. NEWSOM

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